Irrigation wells for SCs/STs under NREGA in Jharkhand

976. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) under NREGA, how many irrigation wells for SC/ST beneficiaries in Jharkhand were started in the year 2006-2007;

(b) how many of the started wells were completed up to 30th June 2007;

(c) how many of the incomplete wells have already collapsed by 31st July 2007;

(d) what action has been taken against the officers/Government employees responsible for collapse of these wells; and

(e) whether beneficiaries whose wells have collapsed will get benefit again?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) to (e) Information is being collected.

Trade union of labourers working under NREGA

977. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any trade union of labourers working under NREGA has been registered and recognized;

(b) the benefits which can be obtained by such labourers by their trade union rights;

(c) whether Government has any information regarding the number of labourers working under the scheme of NREGA; and

(d) if so, the state-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) No, Sir. National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 does not provide for formation of trade unions by labourers.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) and (d) State-wise data regarding number of households who have been provided employment under NREGA during 2006-07 and 2007-08 (upto October, 07) is given in the Statement.

Statement

Households who have been provided employment under NREGA during 2006-07 *and* 2007-08

Sl. No.	States	No. of households provided employment under NREGA during 2006-07	No. of households provided employment under NREGA during 2007-08 (upto October, 07)
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2161395	3222291
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	16926	0

1	2	3	4
3.	Assam	792270	578578
4.	Bihar	1688899	1830373
5.	Gujarat	226269	173535
6.	Haryana	50765	37416
7.	Himachal Pradesh	63514	124490
8.	Jammu and Kashmir	121328	47358
9.	Karnataka	545185	260746
10.	Kerala	99107	115517
11.	Madhya Pradesh	2866349	2927813
12.	Maharashtra	353024	164124
13.	Manipur	18568	7543
14.	Meghalaya	96627	86729
15.	Mizoram	50998	68549
16.	Nagaland	27884	21836
17.	Orissa	1394169	564366
18.	Punjab	31648	11113
19.	Rajasthan	1175172	1819476
20.	Sikkim	4107	5967
21.	Tamil Nadu	683481	755475
22.	Tripura	74335	398882
23.	Uttar Pradesh	2573245	2468934
24.	West Bengal	3083757	3183808
25.	Chhattisgarh	1256737	1281986
26.	Jharkhand	1394108	882314
27.	Uttranchal	134312	95218
	TOTAL	20984179	21134437

Construction of houses under Bharat Nirman

978. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had promised to construct 60 Lakh houses under Bharat Nirman by 2008-09; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under Bharat Nirman Programme, 60 lakh houses are to be constructed during four years i.e. from 2005-06 to 2008-09. On an average, 15 lakh houses are required to be